

The Regular meeting of the **Public Safety Committee** was held in the Council Chambers on **Monday April 18, 2011**. The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by Alderwoman Finlayson

Present on Roll Call: Alderwoman Finlayson and Aldermen Paone and Silverman.

Staff present: Fire Chief Stokes, Deputy Chief Simmons, Police Chief Pristoop.

Chief Pristoop offered a quarterly crime statistics report.

Chief Pristoop discussed initiatives to use technology to communicate with the community at large.

The Chief discussed the auxiliary police force, technology, mobile fingerprinting, crime cameras (including mobile cameras), and security in city hall.

Chief Pristoop stated that Captain Howard is the point person for the auxiliary officer program.

Chief Pristoop discussed the correlation of staff reduction and overtime. The chief stated that there is little correlation. The Chief is concerned about the need for overtime being raised by the need to police Ward One during bar hours and the housing communities at the same time.

The Chief discussed the plans for crime cameras for Woodside Gardens. The Chief stated that the cameras will be accessible by the APD but installed by the management company.

The Chief discussed ETickets and how they are being used by the APD.

The Chief discussed a body found in Annapolis over the weekend. The chief stated that the cause of death has not been determined.

Chief Stokes announced that May 16-22 is National EMS week

Chief Stokes announced that on May 21 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center there will be a Health and Safety Expo.

Chief Stokes stated that House Bill 154, *Health Insurance - Ambulance Service Providers - Direct Reimbursement*, just passed that will require that insurers reimburse the City directly for EMS transport. Chief Stokes stated that this will increase our total reimbursement annually.

Alderwoman Finlayson inquired about how the furlough days are affecting moral. The Chief stated that he hopes to see furlough days spread equally this year over all employees.

The Chief discussed the Fire Department Budget.

Deputy Chief Simmons discussed his departments grant funding. Detailing the sources of funding and how the funds are used.

Chief Simmons discussed the allocations as follows:

- A generator at the Spa Road Public Works Building
- Variable Message Sign
- Traffic Signal Battery Backup for seven locations
- Security fencing for Police Headquarters
- Arial Flyover for GIS imagery
- St. Johns Unified Command Training
- Emergency Operations Center Upgrades

The next funding cycle will be 391,278 in SHSP funding. 96,800 is allocated to law enforcement, 118,000 is allocated to OEM. The remainder (176,478) will be available to city departments for proposed emergency management related projects.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Hilary Roggio Raftovich  
Standing Committee Clerk